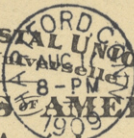


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My dear Soldierier, Yours of the 16th reached me yesterday. I am depending upon you to give your opinion promptly and at length on my book. So far I have seen no reviews worth anything. But Wodehouse wrote to me that there were only two men of fine thoroughly competent to have a judgement on it. — You and Snodgrass. So you see, you must. If you don't, I shall have to say to you Wagil — itghammēt — which seems to be a word of magic in Egyptian Arabic, and will make an Egyptian do ~~to~~ what you want at once. Of course I did not mean that al-G. was a magician only that he was more original and modern than the whole batch of al-G. V. Have you seen any of the books of al-G. V.? I have two of his. He draws parallels between Lubbock and al-G. I brought back with me from Cairo a number of native coloured lithographs. In some of them bright coloured birds are flying behind the head of 'Alī. Can you tell me what these birds mean? There is also a picture of some one carrying off a lady who is seated behind him on his horse. The birds are in this picture too and the inscription is al-G. V. all the

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